## Mississippi Management and Reporting System

## Steering Committee Minutes December 19, 1996

## 301 Building - ITS 4th Floor Classroom

A called meeting of the Mississippi Management and Reporting System (MMRS) Steering Committee was held at 10:00 a.m. in the 4th Floor Classroom of the Department of Information Technology Services (ITS), 301 Building, Jackson, Mississippi, on Thursday, December 19, 1996.

The following members were present:

Edward L. Ranck, Chairman and Executive Director, Department of Finance and Administration J. K. Stringer, Vice-Chairman and Executive Director, State Personnel Board David L. Litchliter, Executive Director, Department of Information Technology Services

## Also present were:

Cille Litchfield, MMRS Administrator
Cliff Davidson, MMRS Technical Director / SPAHRS Project Manager
Tom Patterson, MMRS/MERLIN Project Manager
Michael McDonald, Software AG
Dennis Phoebus, Software AG
Martha Pemberton, Director, ITS/ISS
Gary Runnels, Director, SPB/MIS
Julie Allen, MMRS/MERLIN Lead Functional Analyst

A quorum being present, the meeting of the Mississippi Management and Reporting System (MMRS) Steering Committee was called to order by Dr. Ranck. Dr. Ranck directed the Committee to agenda item 1 to approve the minutes from the September 27, 1996, MMRS Steering Committee meeting. On a motion by Mr. Litchliter, seconded by Mr. Stringer, the minutes were approved as presented.

Dr. Ranck presented agenda item 2: Status of the recovery of the FY96 revolving fund expenditures. Mrs. Litchfield reported that the cash balance as of that morning in fund 3125 was \$12,514,438, that \$1,368,689 of the \$3,841,401 billed for expenditure recovery has been received (36%), and that interest earned year-to-date is \$245,999. Dr. Ranck asked about complaints. Mrs. Litchfield responded there had been a few questions but no complaints.

Dr. Ranck presented agenda item 3: Review and approve acquisition of the MERLIN production platform. Dr. Ranck stated how pleased he was with the MERLIN workforce model. The Committee discussed several points revealed in the data presented in the work force model. Dr. Ranck then asked for the presentation of the proposal.

Mrs. Litchfield reported the only bid received was from IBM and stated this was possibly due to several issues - (1) Sun failed to pick up a copy of the RFP (they were the most likely competition); (2) Other vendors simply could not meet the specifications. Mr. Patterson stated the cost originally proposed by IBM was outside our cost parameters and that we had worked with IBM to get the cost down. Mr. Patterson reported the IBM discount to be approximately 40%, the hardware proposed would support MERLIN through FY1998, the system proposed would be configured with two additional nodes at no cost to the State

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for use as the MERLIN development platform, and that these nodes would be available to the State should for some reason the system be undersized.

The Committee discussed whether the proposed hardware would support MERLIN for the period discussed. Mr. Litchliter stated that adequate communication access to support this system was more of a concern. Mr. Stringer asked whether this hardware would be obsolete before the communications

There being no further business to come before the Committee, Dr. Ranck moved to adjourn, and, there being no objection, the Committee adjourned.

Chairman, MMRS Steering Committee
Department of Finance and Administration

Vice-Chairman

State Personnel Board

Member

Department of Information Technology Services

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KEY IS FUND, BS ACCOUNT

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05-	3125	11250	0.00	0.00	BILLED RECEV	01
06-	3125	12300	0.00	0.00	INT REC INV	01
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11-	3125	20210	0.00	0.00	A/P	02
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